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Hiroshi ISONO et al.) Group Art Unit: 3613
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Application No.: 10/025,777) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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For: HYDRAULIC BRAKING SYSTEM)
AND METHOD WITH FLOW)
CONTROL DEVICE)

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. To the best of undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of what is considered to be, on information and belief, the relevance of the non-English language documents.

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1. German Patent Publication DE 199 17 810 discloses that a valve 29 is used to avoid a vibration of the brake pedal due to pulses generated by a pump in the hydraulic circuit.

2. German Patent Publication DE 198 33 084 discloses a brake cylinder system in which brake pressure is generated by a control device (not shown). A simulator 42,43,5 is enabled. Valve 9 is closed, and element 5 cannot move between elements 42,43. An emergency pressure is generated within pressure chambers 22,23.

3. German Patent Publication DE 199 50 029 discloses changing (in particular, decreasing) a gain factor if a predetermined condition is established (in particular, when the vehicle stands still) in order to reduce mechanical loads. With respect to the brake system, it is explicitly stated to use a master brake cylinder and a communicating reservoir.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicant reserves the right to present to the Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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